

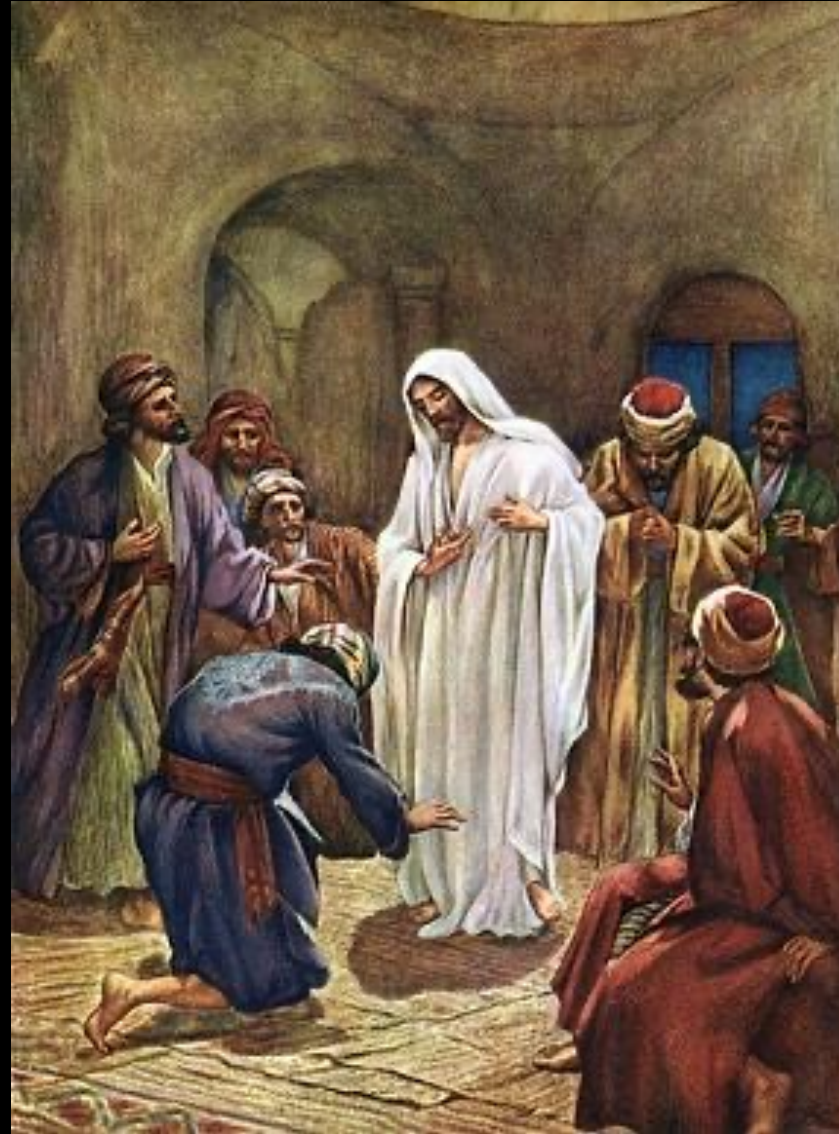
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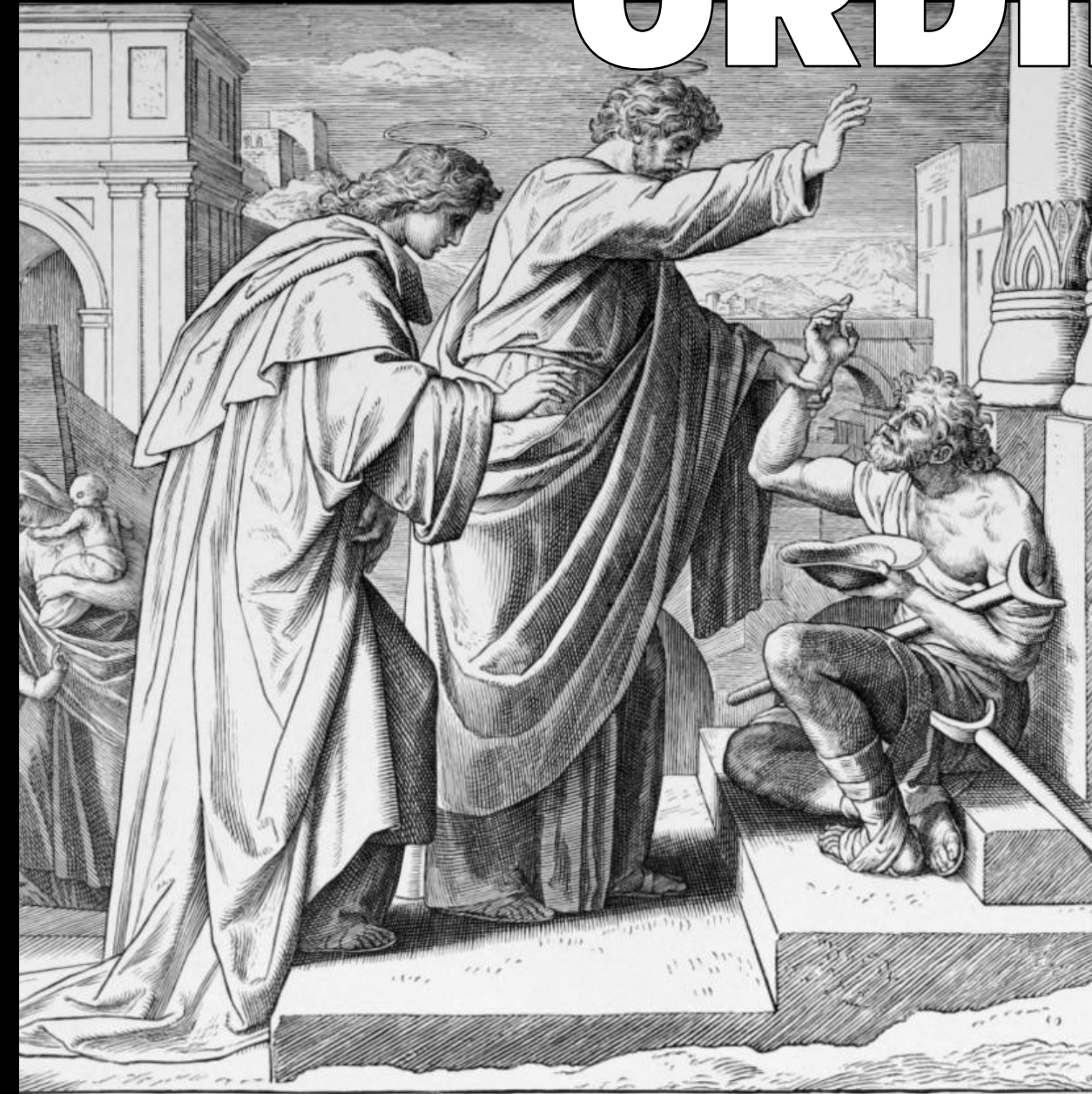
LOW KEY



BY THIS
EVERYONE
WILL KNOW
THAT YOU
ARE MY
DISCIPLES,
IF YOU
LOVE ONE
ANOTHER

John 13:35

ORDINARY



THEY ALSO RECOGNIZED

THEM AS MEN

WHO HAD BEEN WITH

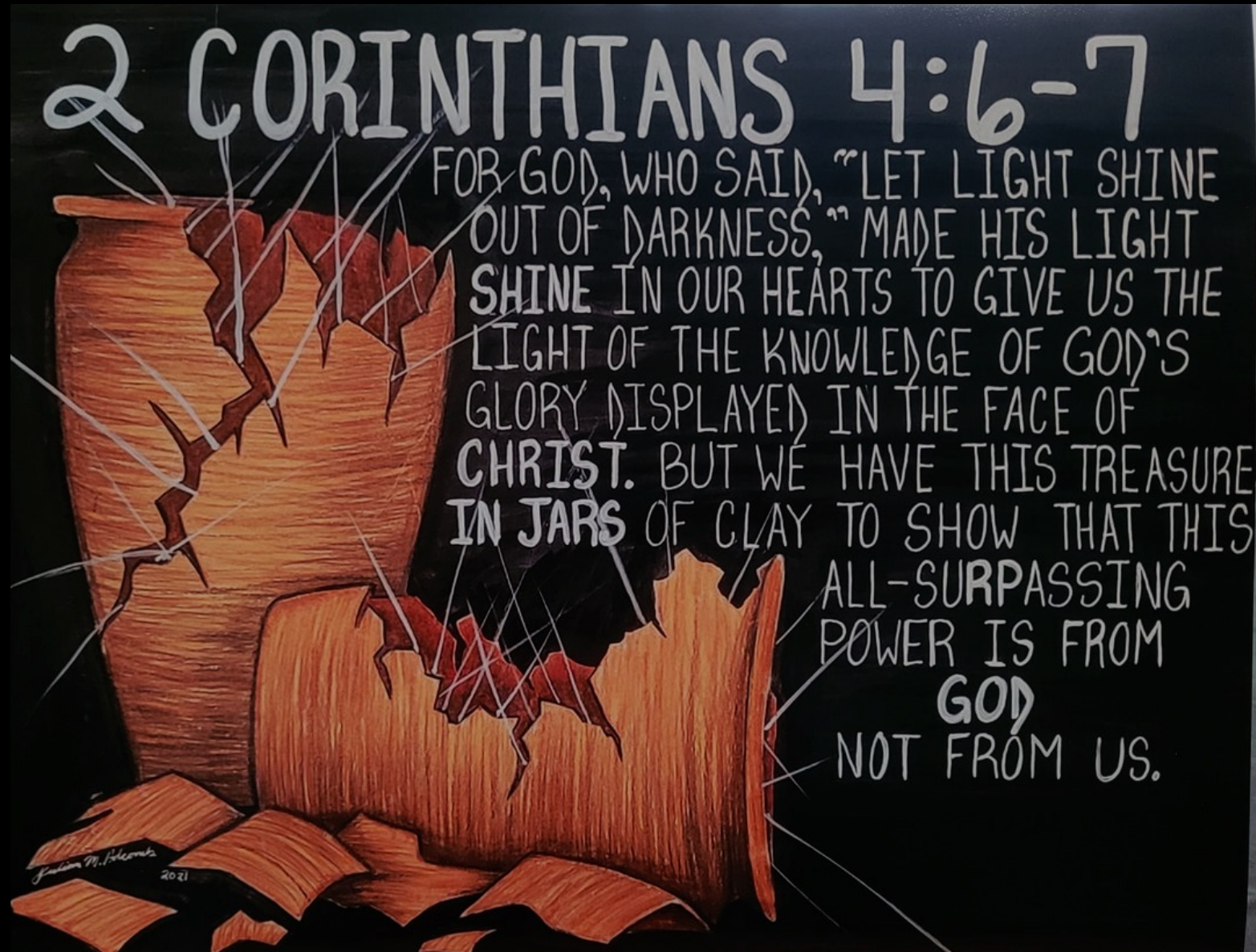
JESUS

ACTS 4:13

JARS OF CLAY

Paul is writing to the church in Corinth. Corinth was a wealthy, status-driven city where impressive speakers and strong, charismatic leaders were highly valued. After Paul planted the church here, other Christian teachers (often called “super-apostles” later in the letter) came to the church that was planted there and:

- Criticized Paul’s weakness, suffering, and lack of polish...
- Questioned his authority as an apostle...
- Church leaders should be more powerful, successful, and impressive



BE THE SPECTACLE

PURPOSE



Be with Jesus.
Become like Jesus.
Do what Jesus did.

1 CORINTHIANS 4:9

“For I think that God has displayed us, the apostles, last, as men condemned to death; for we have been made a spectacle to the world, both to angels and to men.”

